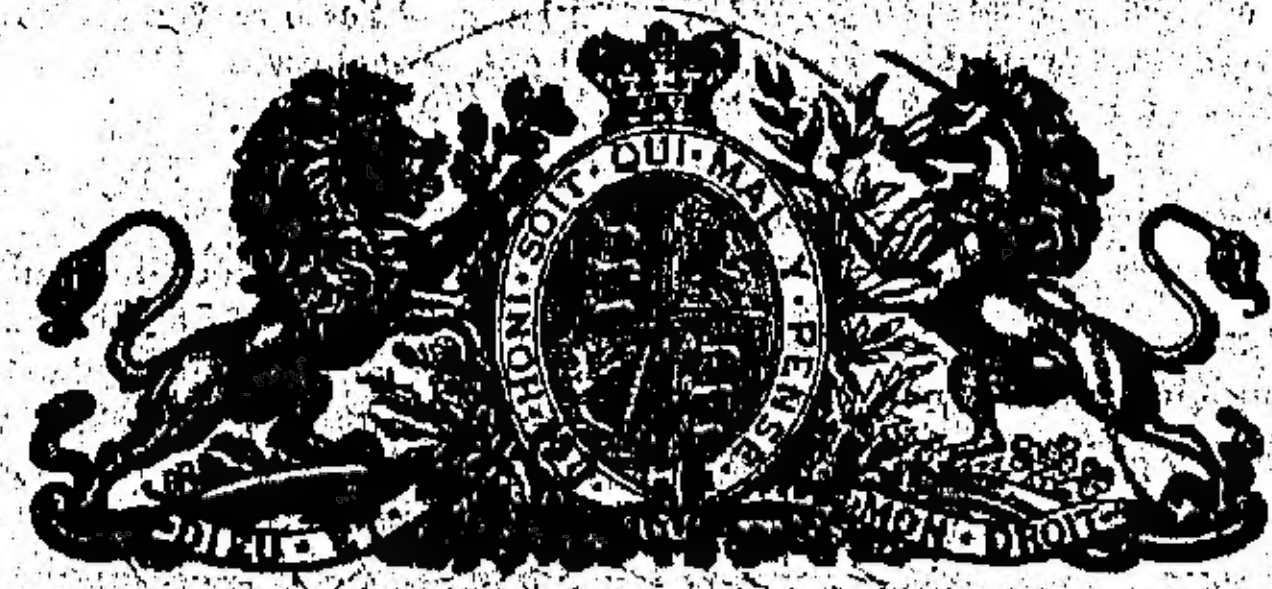


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### HONGKONG AGENCY.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balance, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained at the office.

CH. DE GUIGNÉ, Manager.

Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 14, 1876.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND, 100,000 Dollars.

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ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
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Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JAMES GREIG, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

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THE

### CHINESE READER'S MANUAL.

A HANDBOOK of Biographical, Historical, Mythological and General Literary References.

BY WILLIAM FREDERICK MATTHEWS.

Price, \$3.

Shanghai, KILBY & Co.  
Hongkong, "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

I Have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procura-tion.  
A. MACG. HEATON.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr EDWARD WHITTALL in our Firm ceased on the 30th April last.  
We have authorized Mr HERBERT SMITH to sign our Firm.

### JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876. my16

### NOTICE.

THE Underigned have entered into Partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Ship-brokers at this Port under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

### A. G. MORRIS.

E. O. RAY.

Bank Buildings, Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

### NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Haiphong and Hanoi. Mr ED. COCHRAN is authorized to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

### LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr J. ALANOR in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last. The Business will be carried on under the style of MEYER & Co.

### MEYER, ALABOR & Co.

Hongkong, April 29, 1876. my29

### NOTICE.

THE Underigned has been appointed SURVEYOR to LLOYD'S REGISTER at this Port.

### R. H. CAIRNS.

1, Club Chambers, Hongkong, April 20, 1876.

### THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

I BEG to notify that I have been appointed ACTING SUPERINTENDENT for the above Company's Station at this Port from this date.

### CARL CHR. BOJENSEN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1876. my6

### NOTIFICATION.

IT is herewith notified that a Customs House has been Established at HOI-HOW (海口), the Treaty Port of KIUNGCHOW (瓊州), and has been Opened for transaction of Business under this day's date.

### H. O. BROWN,

Commissioner of Customs, Kiungchow Customs, Hoi-how, April 1, 1876. my8

### For Sale.

JUST RECEIVED.

Ex French Mail Steamer "MEI-KONG."

YELLOW CHARTREUSE, (pinks and

quarts) Extra fine SALAD OIL, from (Bassede, Marseilles).

Imperial PRUNES, in Glass Jars.

SILICIAN NUTS.

JAMS, JELLIES & FRUITS, assorted.

Fine French SAUSAGES, in 1 lb. tins.

Assorted PASTE for SOUP.

French CANNES, assorted, Nos. 1 to 5.

French NAVY SOAP.

Marseilles SAUSAGE, Quite Fresh.

LYON SAUSAGE.

MESS PORK in barrels of 100 lbs., or by retail.

CHAMPAGNE VINEYARD PRODUCE.

PRIMOORS BRANDY.

BISQUIT Dubouche BRANDY.

St. Emilion Dinner CLARET.

Haut Sauterne, WHITE WINE.

ANCHOVIES, in oil.

Superior CLARET, bottled by the Under-igned, \$2 per doz.

TUNNY FISH, in oil.

Superior WHITE VINEGAR.

TAPIOCA.

Julienne SOUP, in 1 lb. tin.

TRUFFLES.

MACARONI & VERMICELLI.

French extra fine TOBACCO.

Just Landed Ex S. S. "AFA."

PEPPERMINT, quarts and pints.

BENEDICTINE, quarts and pints.

French CLAY PIPES.

Raspall's extra fine LIQUOR.

Solemn BEANS.

VANILLA.

CLARET from Bordeaux.

" " Marseilles.

20 Sult Purohastars.

Raspall's GENUINE LIQUOR from Paris.

Fine White BREAD, in loaves and rolls, manufactured from the finest California Flour, and in the Parisian fashion.

F. VINCENTOT, French Bakery, No 2, Peel Street, Hongkong, May 3, 1876. my3

## For Sale.

### NOTICE.

### HONGKONG ICE COMPANY.

ON and after this Date, the Price of our ICE will be ONE CENT per Pound.

KYLE & RAIN.

Ice Depot, Duddell Street, Hongkong, May 4, 1876. my18

### NOTICE.

### TUDOR COMPANY.

ON and after this Date, the Retail Price of our NATURAL ICE will be ONE CENT per Pound.

JOHN F. HORGAN, Agent.

Tudor Ice House, Hongkong, May 4, 1876. tl

### HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.

### FOR SALE.

THE SOCIETY'S PIANO. May be seen in the ORY HALL. Tenders to be sent to the Underigned before the 15th Instant.

ROBERT G. ALFORD, Hon. Secretary.

4, Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 3, 1876. my10

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG.

### Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,

38, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,

CHRONOMETERS,

&c., &c., &c.

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876. tl

### THE MEDICAL HALL,

ESTABLISHED 1853.

TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876. ap28

### AH YON,

SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND

STEVEDORE,

No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF

COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH

PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S

STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

### F. KRUPP'S CAST STEEL WORKS,

Essen (Germany.)

Sole Agent for China,

F. PHIL,

HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, COLOMBO

(Germany.)

TENDERS are invited for Refitting

and Docking the British Barge

"VINDEX" up to SATURDAY, at

Noon.

For particulars, apply on Board to

JOHN PARKHOUSE,

Master.

Hongkong, May 4, 1876. my6

### COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

THE DOCKS being now completed, are

capable of Docking any size VESSELS

frequenting this Port, and executing any

REPAIRS required.

A large quantity of SPARS, LUMBER,

IRON, COPPER, YELLOW METAL, &c., &c.,

always kept in Stock at cheap rates.

Length of Dock, 455 Feet.

Breadth do., 82 "

Depth of Water, Springs, 24 "

do., Neaps, 21 "

The following Rates will be charged until

further notice:—

Recoopering, including Dockage, Shor-

ing, Labor, Felt, Pitch, Tar and Oakum,

80 cents per Sheet.

Painting Iron Steamers, including Dock-

age, 2 Coats Paint and 1 Coat Tallow, 36

cents per Ton Gross Register.

Painting Iron Steamers, including Dock-

age, 1 Coat Paint and 1 Coat Tallow, 50

cents per Ton Gross Register.

For further particulars, apply to

W. B. SPRETT & Co.,

9, Praya East.

Hongkong, April 30, 1876.

### THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

DURING my absence from Hongkong

the MANAGEMENT of the above

Company's Station will be TAKEN OVER

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

THE Underigned, having been for 13

years in this port as Ship's Compro-

dore and Stevedore, has always on hand

FOR SALE.

First Class Tea Ballast, at 55 cents per ton.

Second " " 60 " "

Blue Stone Ballast, " 85 " "

Stone Ballast, " 30 " "

Coolies for discharging

ing Rice, " 6 " "

Coolies for discharging

ing General Cargo, " 7 " "

Also.

Fresh PROVISIONS, Oilman's STORES,

Paints, Oil, &c., &c. can be had at more

moderate rates for Shipmasters than any-

where else at this port. If any Shipmas-

ters require my services, they will please

hold No. 5 Flag on the main mast, or

apply to No. 57, Praya West (between the

Canton Steamers' Wharves.)

AH YON,

Ship's Compro-dore and Stevedore.

Hongkong, May 2, 1876. au2

IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REDUC-

TION OF THE PRICE OF THE

"SHANGHAI COURIER AND

CHINA GAZETTE,"

IT WILL BE THE

CHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA

and as a large

INCREASE OF CIRCULATION

MAY BE CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED, THE

ADVANTAGE TO

ADVERTISERS

IS OBVIOUS.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

By Order of the Mortgagees, under Bill

of Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have

received instructions from the

Mortgagee to sell, on

MONDAY,

the 8th May, 1876, at Noon,—

The Whole of the Stock-in-trade, Shop

Fittings, Machinery, Carpenter's,

Engineer's, and Blacksmith's Tools, House-

hold Furniture, &c., &c., &c., of or

belonging to B. R. STANFORD, Ship-

wright, &c., on the Premises at Spring

Gardens.

Further particulars will be shortly

announced.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.17.

All lots, with all faults and errors of

description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall

of the hammer.

Hongkong, April 24, 1876. my8

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

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## For Sale.

**SAYLE & Co.** have opened their first delivery of New Goods for the coming Season, to which they invite special attention.

Ladies' and Children's Ready-made Costumes in a variety of Styles.

Morning Wrappers in Embroidered Linen, Printed, Cambric, White Brilliante and Muslin.

French Toilet Jackets. Richly Embroidered Cambric Skirts.

A Large Assortment of Dress Materials in all the newest designs.

French Millinery of the latest fashions.

Boys' Holland Suits & Pinafores. Ladies' Underclothing.

Ladies' and Children's Boots and Shoes.

A fresh supply of the "Little Wanzler" Sewing Machines.

Agents for Hongkong. **SAYLE & Co.,** VICTORIA EXCHANGE, Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

## FOR SALE.

In One Lot, or in Lots to suit Purchasers.

**THE BUILDINGS, MACHINERY AND LAND** belonging to the **BIEN HOA SUGAR FACTORY** (Cochin China), consisting of—

**FIVE SUGAR MILLS**, with accessories complete, Sheet-iron Troughs, Copper Boilers, Vacuum Pans, Five Turbines with Independent Engines, Concretors, &c., &c.

Machines for Adjusting and Fitting, Turning Lathes, Boring Machine, &c., &c.

One Gas Machine. One Steam-Engine. Spare Materials, Iron and Copper Pipes of various dimensions, &c., &c.

One Tug Boat, 50 H.P., 70 Tons, in good order.

One Steam Launch. Fifteen large native Cargo Boats, in good order.

The Land and Buildings of the Estate, The Estate of Locan Buehna Province, comprising an area of about 300 Hectares, mostly cultivated.

Apply to **THE BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, SAIGON.** April 25, 1876. my25

## To-day's Advertisements.

**BRITISH SHIP BELTED WILL, FROM LONDON.**

CONSIGNERS of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo, impeding the discharge of the Vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

**VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.,** Agents. Hongkong, May 5, 1876.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**THE** Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs Douglas Lapraik & Co. to sell by Public Auction, on account of the concerned, on

## THURSDAY,

the 11th Instant, at Noon, at his Office, Marine House, Queen's Road,—

The wrecked Str. "KWANGTUNG," now lying on shore on the South-East end of the Island of Ockseu.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7, payable on the fall of the hammer, and the wreck to be at purchaser's risk from that time.

**W. KERFOOT HUGHES,** Auctioneer. Hongkong, May 5, 1876. my11

## Not Responsible for Debts.

**Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—**

**BREITHOVEN,** German barque, Captain B. Haje, —Melchers & Co.

**ALMA,** German barque, Capt. Lehmayr, —Melchers & Co.

**LIRIA,** British barque, Captain John Incey, —Broadbent, Anthony & Co.

**TARTAN,** German brig, Capt. Kaemena, —Melchers & Co.

**ORADO,** British barque, Capt. Snadden, —Melchers & Co.

**FRIGATE,** German barque, Captain Matson, —Wm. Pustau & Co.

**MANGARITA,** British ship, Capt. Owens, —Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

**HOPE,** British barque, Captain Boulton, —Gibb, Livingston & Co.

**CONY,** American ship, Captain William M. Day.

**WILLIAM MANSON,** British barque, Capt. J. King, —Adams, Bell & Co.

## To-day's Advertisements.

**FOR SHANGHAI AND HANKOW.**

The Russian Steamship "TOHATCHOFF," Saporoff, Master, shortly expected from Singapore, will have quick dispatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to **Wm. PUSTAU & Co.,** Agents. Hongkong, May 5, 1876.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**THE** Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

## TUESDAY,

the 9th May, 1876, at 2 p.m., at his Sale Rooms, Queen's Road,—

Sundry New English and Colonial-made HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising English-made Drawing-room Suites, Walnut Tables, Mahogany

Loo Table, Toilet Tables with Glasses, Mahogany Marble-top Tables and Wash-stands, Vienna-made Chairs, Arm Chairs, and Couches, Wardrobes, Sideboards, Chest of Drawers, Chimney Glasses, Engravings, &c., &c.

Also, One HARMONIUM.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

**J. M. ARMSTRONG,** Auctioneer. Hongkong, May 5, 1876. my9

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

May 5, *Chen-to*, Chinese gunboat, from Canton.

May 5, *William Manson*, British barque, 860, G. King, Sydney March 11, Coal.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

May 5, *Asia*, French steamer, 883, A. Pateau, Saigon May 1, Rice.—SIESSSEN & Co.

May 5, *Braemar Castle*, British steamer, 1425, Marshall, Saigon May 1, Rice.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

May 5, *Belted Will*, British ship, 812, Branthwaite, London Dec. 30, General.—OSBORN.

## DEPARTURES.

May 5, *Chow Sze*, for Bangkok.

5, *Anna Dorothea*, for Kaelung.

5, *Presto*, for Whampoa.

5, *Thales*, for Singapore and Penang.

5, *Kasia*, for Bangkok.

5, *Zamboanga*, for Amoy.

5, *Marie Haydon II*, for Whampoa.

## CLEARED.

*Norma*, for Swatow.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.—Per *Asia*, Mr de Bons, and 5 Chinese.

Per *Braemar Castle*, 2 Chinese.

DEPARTED.—Per *Thales*, 140 Chinese.

To DEPART.—Per *Guahior*, for Singapore, Private Tillman, 28th Regiment, Henry berg, Major-General the Hon. Francis Colborne, C.B., Capt. Hamilton, A.D.C., and native servant. For Bombay, Lieut. Col. Wilkinson. For Melbourne, Mr and Mrs South. For Southampton, Mr Arthur Hick, Miss O. Goodman, Mrs Swincock and two children, Messrs Chas. J. Noble, Wm. D. Sutton, G. McGregor, W. H. Taylor, Commander Claude E. Buckle, R.N., Dr. Peter Burgess, and Mrs Lord.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British barque *Wm. Manson* reports: left Sydney at noon on 11th March, experienced N.E. and N.N.E. winds and heavy sea for several days after starting. Passed between New Caledonia and Fairway Reefs on March 24th. On the 30th and 31st the ship being between Solar and Santa Cruz Islands, experienced terrific squalls and heavy blinding rain, we being under close reefed topsails and reefed courses at the time. The barometer being 29.77, having fallen three-tenths suddenly, after this had light winds and calms to the Equator, which we crossed April 12th. On the 20th passed between Saipan and Bird Islands with moderate N.E. winds and fine weather which continued until reaching Sahees Channel on May 2nd. Across the China Seas had fresh N.E. and N.N.E. winds and fine weather. Passed Pedro Blanco at 5 p.m. yesterday, and got pilot on board at 9 p.m. The French steamer *Asia* reports: N.E. winds and fine weather throughout the passage. In latitude 20° N. and 109° 40' E. passed a German barque flying L.K.F.V., bound North.

The British str. *Braemar Castle* reports: N.E. winds and fine weather throughout the passage. Passed a British man-of-war barque-rigged, bound South, on morning of the 3rd inst. The Brit. ship *Fontenay* arrived at Saigon from Sourabaya, the morning of 1st and wished to be reported.

The British ship *Belted Will* reports: had 128 days' passage from London and 80 days from Amoy. Experienced light variable winds up the China Sea till arrival.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

**MAILS WILL CLOSE:—**

For SWATOW.—Per *NORNA*, at 8.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 6th inst.

For BANGKOK.—Per *FERONIA*, at noon on Saturday, the 6th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.—Per *YESSO*, at 9 a.m. on Sunday, the 7th inst.

For COOKTOWN, BRISBANE & SYDNEY.—Per *SINGAPORE*, at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, the 8th May, instead of as previously notified.

MAILS will also be made up for all parts of East Australia, Tasmania, and Melbourne.

For SAIGON.—Per *THINGYALLA*, at 5 p.m. on Monday, the 8th inst.

For SINGAPORE & PENANG.—Per *NORDEN*, at 1.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 10th inst.

For BANGKOK.—Per *RAVANATTANULAN*, at 4.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 10th inst.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

**MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.**

The English Packet *GWALIOR*, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 6th May.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. —

Friday, May 5.—5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, May 6.—7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted on payment of a LATE FEE of 18 cents extra Postage until 11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, India, or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet on payment of a Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage.

11.50 a.m., Posting on Board ceases.

**ALFRED LISTER,** Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, April 24, 1876. my6

**MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.**

The French Contract Packet *MEIKONG*, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 13th May, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via *Marseilles*; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked *Paid to Galle only*; they will go on from Galle as unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. —

Friday, 12th May.—5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 13th May.—7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, India, or to Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

**ALFRED LISTER,** Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, April 24, 1876. my6

**MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.**

The United States Mail Packet *CITY OF PEKING* will be despatched on MONDAY, the 15th Instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m., Post Office closes.

2.30 p.m., Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

2.50 p.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c., can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American Stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hongkong Stamps, and 10 cents in U.S. Stamps to those places only the names of which are printed in Italics. To all the other places named correspondence cannot be Registered through, but only to San Francisco (8 cents.)

The following are the charges on Correspondence thus sent:—

Per half ounce, Hongkong U.S. Stamps 10 cents.

Canada, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Van-  
couver's Island, Bahamas, Nassau, New Providence, 8 8

Aspinwall, Bermuda, Bogota, Cartagena, Costa Rica, Cuba, Curacao, Fiji, Grenada, Jamaica, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, West Indies, 8 8

Haiti, Newfoundland, 8 8

Guatemala, Mexico, Salvador, Venezuela, 8 10

Belize, Grenada, Guyana, Honduras, Martinique, Santa Martha, Turin's Island, 8 18

Brasil, 8 16

Holliba, Ecuador, Chili, Peru, 8 17

Argentine Confederation, Buenos Ayres, Paraguay, Uruguay, 8 23

Newspapers (not over 4 oz) 2 4

Books, &c., per 4 oz. 8 10

Any articles found enclosed in Newspapers or Book Packages (as silk scarves, jewellery, &c.) will be detained.

**ALFRED LISTER,** Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, May 1, 1876. my16

**CARGO.**

Per *Guahior*, for London, 875 bales Raw Silk, 4 bales Waste Silk, 8 cases Pongee, and 485 bales Wool; for Continent, 64 bales Raw Silk.

## General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, May 7.—

10 a.m.—Yesso leaves for Swatow, Amoy and Fochow.

MONDAY, May 8.—

Noon.—Singapore leaves for Cooktown, Brisbane and Sydney.

Noon.—Sale of Stock-in-trade and Household Furniture, of Mr B. R. Stanford, Shipwright, at Spring Gardens.

Anchies leave for Shanghai on or about this date.

TUESDAY, May 9.—

2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture at Mr J. M. Armstrong's Sale Rooms.

Goods per *Asia* undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

WEDNESDAY, May 10.—

2 p.m.—Norden leaves for Singapore and London.

THURSDAY, May 11.—

Noon.—Sale of the wreck of the Steamer *Kwangtung*, at Mr W. Kerfoot Hughes' office.

FRIDAY, May 12.—

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

MONDAY, May 15.—

8 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

THURSDAY, June 1.—

8 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer *Oceanic* leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

*Agamemnon* leaves for London on or about this date.

Goods per *Glaucon* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Fleur de Caste* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Shipping Orders regarding Optional 'argo or *Glaucon* for shipment per *Anchies* must be obtained from the Agents not later than this date.

## Tenders Close.

Tenders for the Repairs of the British Barque *Vindex*, will be received by Capt. John Parkhouse up to Noon.

## TO ADVERTISERS.

The attention of Advertisers is respectfully drawn to the fact that a copy of the *China Mail* has for some time past been placed on board of every Steamer and Sailing Vessel on arrival in this Harbour.

Facilities which have recently been placed within the reach of Captains and Officers of Ships have resulted in a material increase to the Subscription List of the *Mail* amongst the shipping in port; and as special arrangements have been made to increase the usefulness of the Shipping List and to extend the circulation in the Bay, these advantages will be at once apparent.

Orders may be sent to **GEO. MURRAY HAIN,** China Mail Office.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.50 p.m.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 5, 1876.

THE *Shanghai Courier* states it is informed that the Yunnan Commissioners have completed their duties at Yunnanfu and are now en route for Burmah.

On the approach of the party to their destination, a number of deputies were dispatched from the various Yamen to meet them, and these officials accompanied Mr Grosvenor and his companions back to the city, where, on the 11th day of the 2nd moon (6th March), they were received in great state by the Viceroy, the Futai, the Taotai and the Provincial Judge, and handsomely banqueted for three days. So far the news of the Mission is very good, but some further information furnished by our contemporary respecting it is not quite so satisfactory.

We are told that the examination of the prisoners had been nearly finished by the time the commissioners arrived. This is a most surprising statement—so surprising indeed as to throw considerable doubt upon its accuracy. If it be true, then it is pretty certain that the main object of the Mission has been foiled.

The party were sent on this long and hazardous journey for the express purpose of being present at the trial and seeing that it was properly and fairly carried out, and bearing in mind the fact that it was well known at Yunnanfu as well as at Peking, that the Commissioners were on their way to the city with this object, to commence and nearly finish the trial before their arrival would not be merely a matter of surprise, but could only be looked upon as an insult to the British Government.

The party is expected to reach Man-  
wyn, on the borders of the province of Yunnan, on the 6th May, where they will be joined by the escort sent to meet them by the British Government. They will then pass through Burmah and it is satisfactory to know that they are not likely to meet with any difficulty while in this territory. The King of Burmah has recently shown himself to be very friendly disposed towards us. When the Katenee Boundary Commission were harassed by local opposition, representations were made to the King at Mandalay, with the result that he at once sent off word that the Commissioners were to be assisted in every way, and it is most probable the party will find everything made pleasant for them in

Burmah. It is only in the dangerous borderland between Yunnan and Burmah that there is anything to fear, and when the Mission has once crossed it, we may relieve ourselves of anxiety.

The *Courier* says it hears privately from Peking that Sir Thomas Wade is preserving a very unconciliatory attitude towards the Chinese Government, persistently declining to enter upon any cordial intercourse with the Ministers until the Yunnan affair is satisfactorily settled. This is another piece of surprising news, but it is to be hoped it is true.

Mr Margary was a British official, travelling for official purposes, under the protection of the Chinese officials, and we have every reason to assume he was murdered with the connivance and to all appearances at the instigation of Chinese officials. Under these circumstances Sir Thomas Wade, can scarcely present too firm and uncompromising a front to the high authorities at Peking. The effects of the outrage upon our relations to China were calculated to be so important that the Chinese could well afford to make a deal of reparation both to Mr Margary's relatives and to the British Government, for while doing so they might easily leave a large margin of advantage to themselves. This murder was in principle a repetition of the Tientsin massacre of 1870.

The aim of the Chinese in perpetrating the horrible outrage at Tientsin was to check the proceedings of the Roman Catholic Missionaries who were not only pursuing their propaganda in China, but were purchasing land in the country and interfering with the power of the mandarins. The massacre, there can hardly be a rational doubt, took place at the instigation of Chinese officials, and it is not too much to assume that they were not entirely ignorant of the results that would follow their proceedings. Unfortunately the Franco-German war had the effect of preventing France from obtaining full reparation for these infamous acts. With this precedent before them the Chinese officials have now ventured on the bold step of procuring or causing to be procured the murder of a British official travelling under their own protection. The end to be here obtained was to prevent Englishmen going into the interior of the country, trying to open up trade and trade routes, which are matters objectionable to the Chinese mind. The mandarins wished to strike a serious blow at all such enterprise, and they thought they could not do so more effectually than by compassing the murder of an Englishman, who was officially trying to inaugurate the same. If the life of an official Englishman, under their own protection, was not safe on the trade routes to Burmah, there would evidently be little security for the life of one of our countrymen travelling there under no special protection.

At the Tientsin massacre the Chinese sent a Mission to Europe, to endeavour to smooth over matters a little, and through the anxiety of France at the time to free her soil from foreign occupation, for which peace was necessary, the Mission met with success that might not otherwise have been expected. The *Courier* gives circulation to a report that the visit of the Flying Squadron to China is for a specific object, and also observes that the present position of Germany



In one bore East. Steered N.N.E. ship going at the rate of one knot, got soundings in 8 and 7 fathoms, and let go anchor. Teomabal South point bore S.N.E. 1/2 E., Tubigan East point E.N.E. 1/2 E. Kulussein N.W., current set N.W. Sounded with the boat for about a mile to the N.E. of ship, found nothing less than 34 fathoms.

At the N.W. of Kulussein there is a small Sandbank which lies close to the point, this bank is marked on the Chart, but not in the right position.

Pandocan seems to be about the same length as Kulussein (4 to 5 miles) but does not stretch so far South as marked on charts; Kulussein stretches farther South than marked.

At 1 p.m. weighed and stood out N.E. by E. slack water soundings 6 to 8 fathoms and until 1 mile outside, then had 15 fathoms—North points of Teomabal and Tubigan bearing N.W. and S.E. distant 7 miles, course N.N.E. 3 miles, had no less water than from 6 to 7 fathoms; and could see no shoal water from the mast-head, current set to the N.W., the last cast of the lead had 50 fathoms.

When Teomabal bore South made Long. 120.54 East, Chronometer correct.

Steered for Mindanao with Southerly wind, had regular land and sea breezes along the Coast of Negros, Panay, and Mindanao. Left Lubang 22nd, and arrived at Hongkong on the 29th April, with light N.W. and E. Easterly winds, current set S.W. Southerly 10 to 12 miles a day.

While passing through the Celebes, Sulu and Java Seas, saw and communicated with many fishing boats, natives appeared very friendly, passed in sight of the town of Sulu.

### SUPREME COURT.

#### IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before Chief Justice Sir JOHN SMALD.)

May 5, 1876.

In re John Spinks Hook, a petition was filed for adjudication as a bankrupt. The liabilities set down at from nine to ten thousand dollars, with no assets. His Lordship remarked on the absence of the petitioner's son and thought he was also liable for the debt. His Lordship would, however, adjourn the application, meantime he would read over the documents.

#### IN PROBATE.

In re the goods of W. H. Vickerman, deceased, Mr. Sharp appeared to apply for letters of administration *de bono non* on behalf of Colonel Moggeridge, the attorney for the devisees. The property was sworn under \$17,000. Granted.

In re the goods of Kum Chong, late sheriff to Messrs Douglas Leprieux & Co., Mr. Breerton applied for letters of administration to be granted to the widow, Kum Wong Shee. Granted, personally sworn under \$8,700.

In re the goods of F. A. Rangal, deceased, Mr. Breerton applied to have, in place of Mr. Alexander's name, that of Mr. Hufman substituted as Official Administrator, the former being dead. His Lordship in granting the application suggested that Mr. Breerton might petition the Government to remit the stamp duty on the second letters of administration, and authorised Mr. Breerton to say, in his memorial, that if His Lordship had had the power, he would have remitted the stamp duty.

In re the goods of E. Estarico, deceased, the Official Administrator, Mr. Hufman, applied for letters of administration. Value of goods, \$325. The application was granted.

### China.

#### CHINKIANG.

The latest excitement here, says a correspondent, writing on the 26th inst., is the disappearance of Captain Roach, of the *Jorchia Poyang*, who has been missing two days. It is supposed that he must have fallen into the river, whilst going on board. All search for him, up to the time of writing this, has been unavailing.—On the night of the 26th instant, a foreign gun was broken into, the thieves carrying off, as stated, about a chest of opium, together with \$250 in specie, but leaving behind them a bank order for Tls. 1,300, which was in the same box. Their mode of operation was to first break through the outer wall of the house, and then to open the front door, through which the plunder was carried off. The most curious part of the robbery was, that the thieves had to pass through a room in which two men were sleeping. These say the thieves must have had a "piece of burning sandalwood steeped in some narcotic, which stupefied them, and so prevented them hearing any noise." Following out the adage about "shutting the stable door when the steed is stolen," everyone now is on the *qui-vive*, and has ordered his watchman to keep a good look-out against a return of the experts.—The natives here have an idea that the wall now being built round the new Consulate grounds, and which takes in a good portion of the hill on which the building stands, is intended for a fort; and rumour adds that the Chinese authorities are going to enter a protest against the continuation of the work.—A native dealer, who had purchased goods here, and had got about 100 miles north of this on his return journey, was unable to proceed further, owing to want of water in the creeks. Some thieves, seeing his predicament, made a raid upon the boat, and lightened it of two bales of piece goods, possibly in the hope that the trader would then be able, through his boat drawing less water, to proceed to his destination. Messrs. Spencer and Wolff, writing on the 28th instant, say:—The business in Grey Goods during the week under review has been very trivial, being confined almost entirely to the supply of local requirements. Stocks on the spot are small, and similar advice reach us from the country, so a demand may spring up at any moment. *Grey Shirtings*.—Good medium 84s, and 7-1/2 lbs. cloth has been in some request, at prices ranging from Tls. 1.70 to Tls. 1.75 per piece for the former, and Tls. 1.40 to Tls. 1.45 for the latter. 2-1/2 cloths, 6-1/2 lbs. and 8-1/2 lbs. are entirely neglected, but sales of 7-1/2 lbs. ordinary Merinos are reported at Tls. 1.26 to Tls. 1.34 per piece. *Sandalwood*.—Best quality is in fair enquiry, at Tls. 3.50 per picul. *Mahoe Opium*.—A further decline has taken place, and the highest figure obtainable is Tls. 4.39 for fine hard new drug.—*N. C. Daily News*.

#### RUSSIA.

27th April, 1876.

It is not written lately it is for the simple reason there has been nothing to write

about, but the near-approach of the tea season, the rapid rise of the river, with a few other items will furnish matter enough for a letter to-day, and perhaps for some time to come. First, then, must stand tea, being our principal manufacture and export, without which Kiukiang would hardly have a *raison d'être*. The report from the tea districts is that the leaf is abundant, and likely to be in early; my informant, an old citizen of Kiukiang, said there would be more tea this year than in any previous season. We are expecting several of the Chaszes from England to stop here this year, and not go on to Hankow. The river has risen very rapidly within the last ten days, and now stands registered twenty-seven feet, a rise of twenty-four feet since the 1st February; still we are not likely to be flooded this year owing to this early rise, which will make the navigation better for the tea steamers, some of which I suppose will be up in about ten days, for each year finds the season, or rather the tea, earlier than the previous one. The Agency of the China Navigation Company changed hands on the 1st, Messrs. Robert Anderson & Co. taking it over from Messrs. R. Francis & Co. the latter firm I believe are closing their

house here altogether. Messrs. R. Anderson & Co. firm is very popular in Kiukiang, and they have shown a great deal of consideration to the employees of the late agency. I regret to have to tell you that we are losing our Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Kopsch, who goes to your port to take Mr. Taitor's place. Mr. Kopsch will leave here regretted by everybody, and if it is a satisfaction to know that we leave a place all the better for our residence, he will have it in a high degree. The stone bund—the flourishing state of the Municipal funds—and other things, all show his care and thoughtfulness for the well-being of the place, in his position of Secretary to the Municipal Council. As Commissioner of Customs, his report on the trade of Kiukiang evinces constant care for its interest, and the present harmonious working of the 'Transit Pass', which the natives are using in greater numbers, and which the native officials opposed in every way, is due to the tact and good management of Mr. Kopsch, which has had a very marked influence in increasing our imports. These things being so it would not be right to allow one who has done so much for our prosperity to leave us without some acknowledgment of the same, and to assure him as members of the community that he carries with him our best wishes.

On the morning of the 22nd the French gunboat *Serpente* passed up without stopping, with Comte de Rochechouart on board. The *Serpente* returned yesterday from Hankow, but only remained a short time, when she continued her voyage to Shanghai.

I have been trying to find out if the natives had any report of troubles in Kwangsi and Hupeh, but they know nothing about them. The French Bishop has gone to Peking, and the American Mission has opened a chapel in Suichang, where the row was, without any further trouble. The Rev. Mr. Hall and family have left for home on account of bad health. The H. W. Missionary Society are building a house in the city, and a large school for girls; the present school is too small, and from observing the 'march past' on Sundays of the girls with clean and rosy faces, I should say Misses Howe and Hoag's management was very successful. A Chinese lorcha left here a few days ago, with a cargo of coal from the new coal mines above Wusueh, which are being worked by a Chinese official, Mr. Morris is 'prospecting' for new fields.

Messrs. Russell & Co. have finished their new hang, which standing in its own park-like grounds adds new beauty to the bund. I must not fail to mention that the Club has removed from the back street to the bund. Visitors will at once recognise it by the Gothic porch that adorns the front.

The health of the community is good, owing no doubt to cricket and snipe shooting. The snipe however are not so fat as they were last year, when a crack shot bagged a lot weighing eight ounces, and several over that weight.—*Shanghai Courier Correspondent*.

### Japan.

#### (Gazette.)

It is said that the foreign paper manufactory at Oji, Tokio, belonging to the Mitsui bank, is to be bought by the Government Roman Catholic Religion is said to be spreading in Sendai, Miyagi-ken, where the number of professors of that faith exceed five hundred.

During last month, 1,899 houses were broken into by robbers in Tokio, 289 of whom were arrested. The money stolen by them amounted to 1,900 yen.

Mr. Tanaka, Vice President of the *Monbusho*, and his wife, and Mr. Hatakeyama, Director of the Kaisai Gakko, are among the passengers by the *Colorado* to San Francisco.

A Buddhist temple, covering an area of 324 *teubo*, is to be built, at an estimated cost of yen 260,000, on the site of the late temple at Shiba, Sannai, which was recently burnt down.

Complaints are still made of the popularity in Osaka of the game of billiards among the natives, who play in houses owned, really by Japanese, but ostensibly by foreigners. On the 14th instant ten persons who had been playing the reductive game were arrested and taken to the police station.

According to notification No. 17 of the *Monbusho*, a certain number of students will be sent to foreign countries to continue their studies. A competitive examination of candidates below twenty-three years of age, of sound bodily health and good character, will be held at the Tokio *Kaisei Gakko* during five weeks.

A riot is reported from the Awamori-ken. About fifteen hundred farmers armed with hoes and sickles assembled in the village of Tago, and the neighborhood on the 12th inst. The police attempted to disperse them, and a *fracas* took place, in the course of which two or three persons on both sides were injured. The riot, which originated in dissatisfaction with the land tax, was easily suppressed, and the ringleaders have been arrested.

The absurd and oppressive regulation which compels native passengers in foreign vessels to obtain passes from the *Kencho* of re-embarking in foreign vessels, under sundry pains and penalties, is already commencing to bear fruit. According to the *Minato-shimbun*, "twenty-two Japanese, who arrived in Kobe in the *Nagata* from Nagasaki on the 18th instant, were taken to the police-station, for having violated the regulation forbidding natives to embark on board foreign ships without passes. In defence they stated that they were in ignorance of the regulation." The native journal adds that it is not likely that they

will be released without incurring some penalty.

The *Akebono Shinbun* contains the following, which, for the credit of all foreigners in Japan, we hope to be, if not altogether unfounded at least greatly exaggerated. Should it, however, unfortunately turn out to be true we trust that the offender will be brought to a strict account:—"On the evening of the 11th inst., when a certain foreigner, was passing Tsunagui, Tokio, in a *jintshiaka*, another *jintshiaka* in which were two Japanese women, happened to pass him. He got very angry, and knocked down the *jintshiaka* man who had passed him. The *jintshiaka* was upset and the two women, one of whom is said to be a wife of a *Kuwazaki*, were thrown out. The foreigner having struck them with his stick got into his *jintshiaka* and went away at full speed, but was arrested by a policeman. He is said to be an employee of the *Monbusho*."

At Meyanachi, as we are informed by one of a party of gentlemen who lately returned from a holiday trip, there is quite a large school, which is conducted in the European style, and where the children are taught arithmetic according to the western principles, using Roman figures. Our informant arrived at Meyanachi, which is a small village about 30 miles from Yokohama, on Sunday afternoon and put up at a tea house on the road-side. Here they were visited by the school-master, an intelligent looking Japanese, who invited them to inspect his school, which was on the opposite side of the road. On entering the school, all the children, to the number of about seventy, rose and saluted the guests. Forms and desks were arranged after the fashion of our own schools, and on the wall was the inevitable blackboard. One or two of the school-books were shown to the visitors. In the front page of one of them was the following motto, printed both in the English and native languages:—

If there's one thing that helps to make  
A great and glorious nation  
It is to give the little ones  
A thorough education.

### SHANGHAI GOSSIP.

A very elaborate pavilion is in course of erection in the Public Garden. It appears to be of somewhat Moorish design, and is shaped like a muffler. It is a great improvement, however, upon the old summer-house in every respect, and when finished will be quite an ornamental object. The nakedness of the rockery is being gradually hidden by vegetation which, of naturally rapid growth, will soon cover it decently; and the gold-fish are fat and flourishing. Indeed the whole garden begins to look charming. The lawns are smooth and green, thanks to the late rains and careful rolling; the flowers though few as yet are already looking very gay, and everything is being got into the most applicable of order for the summer months. Only two days ago we had the last performance of the winter season at the theatre, and now we are beginning to think about the first performance of the Wind Instrument Society in the public garden. Another month ought to see us fairly launched in the commencement of the hot weather; and, if there is any truth in the five-year theory, we are likely to have it very hot indeed. It may be remembered by a few what a severe summer it was in 1861; the summer of 1868 was equally trying, and many deaths occurred from heat apoplexy and sunstroke; in 1871 the heat set in in May and continued with absolute ferocity straight away through to the 15th of September with hardly a break, and it was pitiful to see the pale drawn faces and jagged gait of the unfortunate ones who had had to face those trying months, unable to snatch a breath of cooler air at Chefoo or even at the hills, as they dragged themselves wearily about in the garden towards twilight. Here we are again in the fifth year; and the Chinese say it is likely to be a hotter season than we have had for some time. The moral of which we take to be:—Day in a good stock of strength and energy by being as much out of this stuffy settlement as possible, and breathing the pure air of the uplands or the invigorating breezes of the seas, before the summer comes.—*Shanghai Courier*.

### CHANG IN SEARCH OF A WIFE.

The subterfuges to which the Chinese will sometimes resort to obtain the lady of their choice, are almost worthy of a more civilized race. Some few weeks ago a man of the name of Tang, residing at Footing, died, leaving a widow and two children. During his illness and after his death an old woman named Wang, who lived hard by, showed the afflicted family much liberality; and, as they were far from rich and dependent upon the exertions of the dying man for their livelihood, they were very thankful for the assistance. At length, however, the widow told her neighbour she really could not accept any more money, as she had already received over ten thousand cash, and was not in a position to make any adequate return. Mrs. Wang's eyes twinkled cunningly. "Don't distress yourself, my dear," said the crone. "You don't owe me anything. Did you really think all that money came out of my pocket? Oh no, you owe it all to some one else, and I'll be bound you'll have to pay it back with interest some of these fine days." The poor woman turned pale with dismay, and further enquiries elicited the fact that the real giver was a man named Chang, an ex-officer, who was hated far and wide as a bully and a sneak. Just then this very person appeared upon the scene, and coolly acquainted Mrs. Wang with his nefarious designs. He vowed that she should be his wife; he acknowledged that such had been his intention long before her husband died, and now that he was her creditor he had a right to choose his method of receiving payment. "Now," said he, "I have got you into my power, and marry me you must. After pressing his detested suit some time he left her, and that night the poor woman ran away. She seems to have made for the monastery at Lung-tsu for safety, but Chang was too quick for her, and he and his accomplices caught her on the way. Luckily however a friendly well-to-do woman happened to pass at the time, and to him the woman appealed. Mrs. Wang told him that the applicant owed them money, and was trying to escape; but Mrs. Tang's story appeared so true and simple that the well-to-do took her part, and placed both her and her children in a place of safety. "Now," said he to the bully, "you go and make out clear statement of your accounts, that I may see whether your claims are just; and if I find they're not—" The fellow slunk away, and has not been heard of since.—*Shanghai Courier*.

### THE ISLAND OF SAGHALIEN.

(From the *Chogyo-shimbun*.)

Our northern region is one of the most important places of the Empire. The name of "Key of the north gate" has been given to it. Various disputes about the boundary in Sakhalin have often broken out between us and Russia. In the reign of the Tokugawa Government, missions were sent to decide the question of boundary. The Russians, however, contrived to become masters of the whole Island of Sakhalin, and were never anxious to decide the question of boundary. Meanwhile, owing to internal troubles, the Government could not finish their negotiations with Russia, and the invaders advanced. In the time of the revolution, our Government established the *Kaitakushi* (Agricultural Department) in Yezo, which island was divided into eleven provinces each containing eight counties, with Sapporo the capital, where was established the principal office of the *Kaitakushi*, which had also branch offices in the Island of Sakhalin. This was done in order to interrupt the advance of the Russians, but in vain. Our people in the island were often embarrassed by them, and at length it became probable that a contest would break out between the two nations. So, our Government exchanged Sakhalin for the Kurile Islands to avoid trouble. This important event has been discussed by many patriots. In pursuit of the policy initiated by Peter the Great, the Russians have long desired to extend their dominion in other countries, under the pretence of preaching the Greek religion. Many missionaries of high standing among the Russians have entered our northern territory, where they preach to our foolish and spiritless countrymen, who believe in these Russian propagandists. If our Government delays any longer to oppose the advance of Russia, a frightful trouble will break out in our northern provinces.

Two or three years ago the *Kaitakushi* ordered a large number of merchants in O-ni to remove to Sapporo and advanced them money for their expenses. But now they have departed. Last year a certain number of *shiaku* settled there under the promise of support by the Government for three years. But we fear that at the end of this period the settlements will be unable to afford them the means of existence.—*Japan Gazette*.

### THE NEW SCRIPTURES ACCORDING TO TYNDALL AND OTHERS.

1. Primarily, the Unknown moved upon osmosis and evolved protoplasm.

2. And protoplasm was inorganic and undifferentiated, containing all things in potential energy; and a spirit of evolution moved upon the fluid mass.

3. And the Unknown said, Let atoms attract; and their contact begat light, heat, and electricity.

4. And the Unconditioned differentiated the atoms each after its kind; and their combinations begat rock, air, and water.

5. And there went out a spirit of evolution from the Unconditioned, and working in protoplasm, by accretion and absorption, produced the organic cell.

6. And cell, by nutritive, evolved primordial germ, and germ developed protogone, and protogone begat exozoon, and exozoon begat monad, and monad begat animalcule.

7. And animalcule begat ephemeris; then began creeping things to multiply on the face of the earth.

8. And earthy atom in vegetable protoplasm begat the molecule, and thence came all grass, and every herb in the earth.

9. And animalcules in the water evolved fins, tails, claws and scales; and in the air, wings and beaks; and on the land they sprouted such organs as were necessary, as played upon by the environment.

10. And by accretion and absorption came the radiata and molluscs; and molluscs begat articulate, and articulate begat vertebrate.

11. Now these are the generations of the higher vertebrate, in the cosmic period that the Unknown evolved the bipedal mammalia.

12. And every man of the earth while he was yet a monkey, and the horse while he was a hippopotamus, and the hippopotamus before he was an orodon.

13. Out of the aspidian came the amphibian, and begat the pentadactyle, and the pentadactyle, by inheritance and selection produced the hylobate, from which are the simians in all their tribes.

14. And out of the simian the lemur prevailed above his fellows, and produced the platyrrhine monkey.

15. And the platyrrhine begat the catarrhine, and the catarrhine monkey begat the anthropoid monkey, and the ape begat longimanous orang, and the orang begat the chimpanzee, and the chimpanzee evolved the what-is-it.

16. And the what-is-it went into the land of Nod, and took him a wife of the longimanous gibbons.

17. And in process of the cosmic period were born unto them and their children the anthropomorphic primordial types.

18. The hominulites, the prognathus, the troglodyte, the autotichon, the terragen—these are the generations of primeval man.

19. And primeval man was naked and not ashamed, but lived in quadrumanous innocence, and struggled mightily to harmonise with the environment.

20. And by inheritance and natural selection did he progress from the stable and homogeneous to the complex and heterogeneous; for the weakest died, and the strongest grew and multiplied.

21. And man grew a thumb, for that he had need of it, and developed capacities for prey.

22. For behold the swiftest man caught the most animals, and the swiftest animals got away from the most men; and wherefore the slow animals were eaten, and the slow men starved to death.

23. And as types were differentiated, the weaker types continually disappeared.

24. And the earth was filled with violence; for man strove with man, and tribe with tribe, whereby they killed off the weak and foolish and secured the survival of the fittest.

### COMMERCIAL.

Hongkong, May 5, 1876.

Throughout the closing fortnight, a weak tone has prevailed in the market for Bengal Opium. As usual at this season of the year, the call for investments in the drug has been of a restricted nature, whilst the high cost of it gave no incentive to the native dealers to operate, beyond extracting profits from the constituting towns. New Patna being less enquired for, the holders of the drug showed no reluctance to work off the supply on hand, in view of lesser sale-drug soon arriving; and this led

to a gradual decline of the rate for it. The rate for Old has ruled steady. The present quotations are \$612 1/2 for New, and \$610 for Old.

For Old Benares the demand has been slack still, for local requirements; but the call from the Coast ports has been to a fair extent. The drug stands to-day at \$582 1/2.

As yet there has been no importation for the month, whilst the receipts to the corresponding date last year were 3,061 chests. During the fortnight some 350 chests have been taken by the local consumers, against 400 chests at the corresponding fortnight last year. This, with the exportations, leave a stock computed at 900 chests, against 2,900 chests same time last year. Of this latter quantity 800 chests were Benares, of which kind the present stock consists of 200 chests. As there have been no imports to date hence the great disparity in the stocks.

MESSRS. HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular for the Mail of Saturday, 6th May, says:—

Business during the fortnight has been principally in coasting charters, for although a moderate demand exists for tonnage homewards there are no ready vessels available at present. The number of suitable vessels in the harbour, however, is increasing, and freights are not likely to improve very soon.

Homewards, there is a small enquiry for tonnage to load here for London, and ships are wanted for the Philippines at late rates. For San Francisco nothing is offering.

Coastwise, a fair business was done in Saigon charters early in the fortnight, but during the past week demand has been slack. There is now a better feeling in the market, and rates for ready steamers may be quoted 18 to 19 cents, and for later arrivals 20 cents. Both steamers and sailing vessels are in demand for Bangkok at late rates. Employment from the Northern Ports is unusually scarce for this season of the year, and Newburgh freights are nominal.

The disengaged tonnage in port amounts to 33 vessels, registering 16,560 tons. The following are the settlements:—

British barque *Mystery*, 424 tons, Swatow to Hongkong to London, private.

British barque *Abney Cowper*, 699 tons, Manila to San Francisco, private.

British barque *Marquis of Argyle*, 500 tons, to Melbourne and Sydney, private.

German barque *Pallas*, 493 tons, to Batavia and Samarang, \$3,800 in full, 25 day days.

British barque *Ricca Genova*, 628 tons, to Wampan (Cochin China) and back, \$4,500 in full, 40 day days.

Danish barque *Flensborg*, 388 tons, Wampan to Tientsin, \$3,400 in full.

Nor. brig *Victor*, 247 tons, Wampan to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 50 cents per picul, 38 day days.

British barque *Presto*, 384 tons, Wampan to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 56 cents per picul, 35 day days.

German barque *Marie Heydorn II*, 286 tons, Wampan to Chefoo and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 88 cents per picul, 30 day days.

German barque *Canton*, 365 tons, Newchwang to Hongkong, 29 cents per picul, 25 day days.

German barque *Beethoven*, 340 tons, Newchwang to Hongkong, 29 cents per picul, 25 day days.

British barque *Kassa*, 325 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, (inside the Bar) 30 cents per picul, (outside the Bar) 25 cents per picul, 25 day days.

British barque *Ocean Chief*, 386 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, (inside the Bar) 30 cents per picul, (outside the Bar) 25 cents per picul, 30 day days.

French barque *Notre Dame Auxiliatrice*, 539 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul, 25 day days.

British steamer *Duna*, 820 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 19 cents per picul, 9 day days.

British steamer *City of Exeter*, 787 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 19 cents per picul, 7 day days.

British steamer *Glamis Castle*, 1,538 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 21 cents per picul.

British steamer *Maharajah*, 994 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 21 cents per picul, 10 day days.

British steamer *Arratoon*, 959 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 21 cents per picul, 10 day days.

German steamer *Cassandra*, 1,037 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 21 cents per picul, 8 day days.

British steamer *Genoa*, 1,215 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 20 cents per picul, 10 day days.

British steamer *Adria*, 781 tons, Saigon to Amoy, 27 cents per picul, 10 day days.

British steamer *Benedict*, 999 tons, to Singapore and Penang, \$4,500 in full.

German barque *Anne Dorothea*, 330 tons, Keelung to Hongkong, \$2 per ton of 50 cwt., 14 day days.

MESSRS. DEACON & Co.'s Canton Market Report, dated 4th May, says:—

During the past fortnight settlements of Congou have been made to some extent, and are reported to amount to 12,000 boxes at Tls. 18 1/2 to 20. Prices show no material alteration, though rather better value has been obtained than previously; late arrivals however show a decided falling off in quality. At Macao a fair amount of transactions has also taken place, and a considerable portion of the settlements is said to be for the American market.

A few musters of Scented teas have been shown on the market, but not in sufficient number to allow of an opinion being formed as to the quality of the crop. Scenting flower at present very scarce and no general business will probably be transacted for a week or ten days. In our next issue we shall doubtless be able to advise the opening of our market.

The following are the shipments of New Season's Congou to date:—

Small samples are looked for in the course of a week or ten days, and Silk in bulk should commence arriving about a fortnight hence.

Underneath are figures of comparative Exports for past three Seasons:—

EXPORT FOR AMOY, TO DATE.

1875-76. 1874-75.

For Europe, 12,910 bbls. 8,766 bales.  
United States, 5,881 boxes.  
Re-reels, 5,880 bbls. 5,881 boxes.  
Bombay, 5,040 pls. 4,529 piculs.  
Waste, 6,30



## Mails.



**STEAM FOR**  
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,  
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,  
Ancona, Venice, Mediter-  
ranean Ports, Southampton  
and London;  
Also,  
Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and  
Australia.

THE PARTISAN and ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
"WILLIAM," Captain J. O. BAXBY, with  
Her Majesty's Mail, Passengers, Specie,  
and Cargo, will leave this for the above  
places, on SATURDAY, the 6th May, at  
Noon.

CARGO will be received on board until  
Noon; SPECIE and PARCELS at the  
Office until 2 P.M. on the 5th May.  
For particulars regarding Freight and  
Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s  
Office, Hongkong.

CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES  
AND REQUIREMENTS.

A written declaration of the Contents and  
Value of the Packages for the Overland Route  
is required by the Egyptian Government, and  
must be delivered by the Shippers to the Com-  
pany's Agents with the Bills of Lading, or  
with Passes; and the Company do not hold  
themselves responsible for any detention or  
penalties which may happen from incorrect-  
ness on such declaration.

Shippers are particularly requested to note  
the terms and conditions of the Company's  
Bills of Lading.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co. reserve the  
option of forwarding all Goods ship-  
ping by their Steamers for Europe through  
Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their  
own Steamers, or in vessels employed for  
the purpose.

A. HOLVER, Superintendent.  
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,  
Hongkong, April 23, 1876. my6

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA  
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF  
PEKING" will be despatched for San  
Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY,  
the 15th May, 1876, at 3 P.M., taking  
Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the  
United States, and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills  
of Lading are issued for transportation to  
Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San  
Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and  
South America, and to New York and  
Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. S. Com-  
pany will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea  
Ports, about same date, and make close  
connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection  
of various lines of Steamers to England,  
France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until  
4 P.M. 15th Proximo. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the office until 5 P.M.  
same day; all Parcel Packages should be  
marked to address in full value of same  
is required.

For further information as to Passage  
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, Knap West.

G. R. EMORY, Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, April 15, 1876. my15

Occidental & Oriental Steam  
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND  
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED  
STATES AND EUROPE,  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
CENTRAL  
AND  
UNION-PACIFIC AND CONNECTING  
RAILROAD COMPANIES  
AND  
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be de-  
spatched for San Francisco, via Yoko-  
hama, on THURSDAY, the 1st June,  
at 3 P.M., taking Cargo and Passengers  
for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with  
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until  
4 P.M. of 31st Instant. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the Office until 5 P.M.  
same day; all Parcel Packages should be  
marked to address in full value of same  
is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6  
months are issued at a reduction of 30 per  
cent, on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight  
and Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, Knap West.

G. R. EMORY, Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1876. joi

DUC DE MONTREBELLO CARTE  
BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.  
Quarts, 615 per case (1 dozen).  
Pints, 415 " " " "  
5 per cent. discount on 25 cases.

Bourbon WHISKY.  
415 per case (1 dozen).

FOR SALE BY HARD & Co.  
Hongkong, June 2, 1876. H.

## Insurances.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against Fire to the extent of  
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored  
therein, at current local rates, subject to a  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIA-  
TION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, 800,000 TAELS.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to  
all parts of the world at current rates.  
This Association will, until further no-  
tice, provide out of the earnings, first for  
an interest Dividend of 15% to Share-  
holders on Capital, and thereafter distrib-  
uted among Policy holders, annually, in  
cash, ALL the Profits of the Underwriting  
Business pro rata to amount of premium  
contributed.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 9, 1876.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on  
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on  
Coals in Matched, on Goods on board  
Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Har-  
bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.  
Proposals for Life Insurances will be re-  
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors  
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on  
first class Lives up to \$1000 on a Single  
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-  
posals or any other information, apply to

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.  
Agents Hongkong & Canton.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of  
China and Japan, and at Singapore,  
Siam and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
granted at the rates of Premium current at  
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.

JAS. B. COUGHTREY,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER  
AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed  
Agents for the above Company at  
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai  
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant  
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

## THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER  
OF

His Majesty King George The Third,  
A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Corporation are  
prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either  
here, in London or at the principal Ports  
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at  
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding  
\$5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, July 26, 1874.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on  
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.  
In accordance with the Company's Articles  
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits  
are distributed annually to Contributors,  
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion  
to the net amount of Premiums contributed  
by each, the remaining third being carried  
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1875.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIA-  
TION OF SHANGHAI.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date, the above Association  
will allow a Brokerage of Thirty-  
three and One Third per cent. (33 1/3%) on  
Local Risks only.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, June 3, 1876.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY.

THE Underigned Agents are in receipt  
of instructions from the Board of  
Directors authorizing them to issue Policies  
to the extent of \$10,000 on any one fire  
class risk, or to the extent of \$15,000 on  
adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 30% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, January 9, 1876.

## Insurances.

THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INSUR-  
ANCE COMPANY, ADELAIDE.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Underigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Company in  
Hongkong, China and Japan, are prepared  
to issue Policies of Marine Insurance,  
payable in Australia, London, Calcutta,  
Bombay, Mauritius, China and Japan at  
current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
Hongkong, September 6, 1875. j71

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL  
INSURANCE CO.

THE Underigned having been appointed  
Agents in Hongkong, for the above-  
named Company, is prepared to grant  
Policies against Fire, on Buildings and on  
Goods to the extent of \$10,000, at the  
usual rates, subject to an immediate dis-  
count of 20%.

Attention is invited to a considerable  
reduction in Premiums for Life Insurance in  
China.

Life Policies effected during the year  
1875, share in the Bonus to be declared on  
31st December for the quinquennial period  
then ending.

A. MACG. HEATON.  
Hongkong, September 27, 1875.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE  
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and  
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL—£2,000,000.

THE Underigned, Agents at Hongkong  
for the above Company, are prepared  
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the  
extent of \$10,000 on any Building, or  
on Merchandise in the same, at the  
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20  
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

## ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above  
Company, are prepared to grant In-  
surances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

## Insurances.

NOTICE.

THE Underigned beg respectfully to  
inform the Public that they have  
Established themselves as

BUTCHERS AND GENERAL  
COMPRADORES,

At No. 1, Graham Street,  
And are prepared to Supply Fresh and Salt  
Provisions and Stores; also, Wines, SPI-  
RITS and ALCOHOLS of every description.

MATHEW & Co.  
Hongkong, March 25, 1876. my6

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that all CRE-  
DITORS and other Persons having  
any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or  
against the Estate of JOHN WOTTER-  
SPON, late of Bangkok, in the Kingdom  
of Siam, who died on the 6th day of July,  
1871, and whose Will was duly proved in  
the Probate Jurisdiction of the Supreme  
Court of Hongkong by WILLIAM HENRY  
BREBETON, of 29, Queen's Road, Hong-  
kong, Solicitor, to whom Letters of Admin-  
istration with the Will annexed were duly  
granted by the said Court on the 10th day  
of March, 1876, are hereby required to  
SEND in writing the PARTICULARS of  
their Claims or Demands to the said WIL-  
LIAM HENRY BREBETON, on or before the  
1st day of July next; and notice is hereby  
also given, that at the expiration of the last  
mentioned day the said WILLIAM HENRY  
BREBETON will proceed to distribute the  
Assets of the said JOHN WOTTERSPON  
amongst the parties entitled thereto, having  
regard to the Claims of which he has then  
had notice; and that the said WILLIAM  
HENRY BREBETON will not be liable for the  
Assets or any part thereof so distributed to  
any person of whose Claims he has not  
had notice at the time of the distribution.  
Dated the 29th day of March, 1876.

W. H. BREBETON,  
29, Queen's Road, Hongkong,  
Solicitor.

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China Mail Office.

Hongkong, March 11, 1876.

## Intimations.

THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSUR-  
ANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,  
OF LONDON.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Underigned, having been appoint-  
ed Agents in Hongkong for the above  
Company, are prepared to issue Policies of  
Marine Insurance at current rates, payable  
in London, India, Australia, New Zealand,  
Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China,  
Japan, California, &c. &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1876. j24

STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED, OF HANLEY.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £250,000.

THE Underigned, having been appoint-  
ed Agents in Hongkong and Shanghai  
for the above Company, are prepared to  
issue Policies of Fire Insurance at current  
rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1876. j24

## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

THE Wreck of the P. M. S. S. Japan  
lies 20 miles S. 88° E. of Breaker  
Point: a Buoy marks the locality, and  
the steamer Japan and schooner Loder  
are anchored over the wreck.

Masters of Vessels are requested to avoid  
a near approach at night or during thick  
weather.

W. H. RAY,  
Hongkong, April 29, 1876. my6

## WANTED.

AN Experienced European FEMALE to  
accompany a Family with 8 Children  
to England. Terms, a free Passage.

Applications to be sent to the Office of  
this paper, addressed "A. B. C."

Hongkong, April 11, 1876. my11

## For Sale.

JUST RECEIVED,  
EX S. S. "NAPLES,"  
A Large Assortment of New Books,  
NOVELS, WORKS OF REFERENCE,  
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SCHOOL BOOKS, &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, April 22, 1876. my6

## JUST RECEIVED.

EX S. S. "Viking & 'NAPLES'."  
PRIME Quality BAKED DANISH  
BUTTER in tins of 1-lb., 2-lb., and  
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BASS' ALE, (October brand), in bulk;—  
hops and hilderskins.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, April 22, 1876. my6

## BISCUIT FLOUR.

AN Excellent FOOD for INFANTS and  
CHILDREN.

MANUFACTURED SOLELY BY  
THE HONGKONG & CHINA BAKERY  
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In Tins Containing 8 lbs.  
Hongkong, April 8, 1876. my6

## FOR SALE.

200 Casks CLARET from BORDEAUX.  
Apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.  
Hongkong, March 10, 1876.

## FOR SALE.

VERY Handsome PHAETON.  
1 Set Double HARNESS, nearly new.  
1 Set Single HARNESS.

Apply to  
L. MALLORY,  
No. 2, St. John's Place.  
Hongkong, April 19, 1876.

## To Let.

With Immediate Possession.

THE Dwelling House No. 4, Alexandra  
Terrace.

The Store and Dwelling House, No. 31,  
Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of  
Miss GARNETT.

The Store and Premises, Nos. 42 and 44,  
Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of  
Messrs DUBOIS & Co.

The Dwelling House and Office, No. 1,  
Wyndham Street.

(Also with occupation from 1st May next.)

The Dwelling House No. 46, Peel Street,  
now in the occupation of Mr HAVESWORTH.

The Dwelling House No. 1, Alexandra  
Terrace, at present in the occupation of  
Dr STOUT.

The Dwelling House No. 2, Gough  
Street, occupation from 1st June.

Apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

## TO RENT CHEAP.

OFFICES and Godowns, No. 55, Praya,  
lately occupied by Messrs TAYLOR &  
THOMPSON. Also OFFICES and Godowns  
situated in the rear of the Messageries  
Maritimes Office.

Apply to  
LAI HING & Co.  
Hongkong, March 30, 1876.

## TO LET.

HOUSE No. 5, Zealand Street.

DAVID SASSOON, SOLE & Co.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

## HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, April 29, 1876.  
At 1000 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Paired.  
Highest Lowest  
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## Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 400 300

" Food, lb. 170 160

Best, sirloin and prime cut, cy. 200 180

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" Roast, " 180 160

" Soup, " 100 80

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Bullocks' Brains, per set 80 70

" Tongue, fresh, each 300 250

" " corned, " 450 400

" Head, " 1100 900

" Heart, " 180 140

" Feet, " 80 60

" Kidneys, " 100 80

" Tail, " 160 120

" Liver, catty 120 100

" Tripe (undressed), catty 60 40